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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Population and Development held its forty-ninth session at United Nations Headquarters on 17 April 2015 and from 11 to 15 April 2016. The Commission held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

2. At the 2nd meeting, on 11 April 2016, the session was opened by the Chair of the Commission, Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota (Zambia), who also made a statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Secretary-General, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund and the Director of the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs addressed the Commission.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by ___ States members of the Commission. Observers for ___ other States Members of the United Nations and ___ non-member State(s), representatives of organizations and other entities of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be available in document E/CN.9/2016/INF/1.

C. Election of officers

5. At its 1st and 2nd meetings, on 17 April 2015 and 11 April 2016, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

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Chair

Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota (Zambia)

Vice-Chairs

Nadine Skale (Germany)
Ebrahim Alikhani (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Patricia Chemor Ruiz (Mexico)
Oana Maria Rebedea (Romania)

6. At its 2nd meeting, on 11 April 2016, the Commission designated the Vice-Chair, Ebrahim Alikhani (Islamic Republic of Iran), to serve also as Rapporteur for the session.

7. At the same meeting, the Commission designated the Vice-Chairs, Nadine Skale (Germany) and Oana Maria Rebedea (Romania), as well as Franklyn Brima Fawundu (Sierra Leone) and Iara Beekma Reis (Plurinational State of Bolivia), to co-chair the informal consultations.

D. Report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings

8. At the 2nd meeting, the Chair introduced the report of the Bureau of the Commission on its intersessional meetings (E/CN.9/2016/2).

9. At the same meeting, the Commission took note of the report of the Bureau.

E. Agenda

10. At its 2nd meeting, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda (E/CN.9/2016/1), which read:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development.
4. General debate on national experience in population matters: "Strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda".
5. General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the Economic and Social Council theme in 2016 on "Implementing the post-2015 development agenda: moving from commitments to results".
6. Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population.
7. Review of the functioning of the methods of work of the Commission.
8. Provisional agenda for the fiftieth session of the Commission.
9. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-ninth session.

11. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of work of the session (E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

F. Documentation

12. The list of documents before the Commission at its forty-ninth session is available on the website of the Population Division (www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/commission/sessions/2016/index.shtml).